

State of South Dakota

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1228

Introduced by: Representatives Roe and Cutler and Senator Halverson

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require that certain pupils receive immunization against
2 hepatitis B.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. Any pupil, prior to entering the seventh grade, shall present to the appropriate
5 school authorities certification from a licensed physician that the child has received immunization
6 against hepatitis B. As an alternative to the requirement of a physician's certification, the pupil
7 may present:

8 (1) Certification from a licensed physician stating the physical condition of the pupil
9 would be such that the immunization would endanger the pupil's life or health;

10 (2) A written statement signed by one parent or guardian that the pupil is an adherent to
11 a religious doctrine whose teachings are opposed to the immunization; or

12 (3) A written statement signed by one parent or guardian requesting that the local health
13 department give the immunization because the parents or guardians lack the means
14 to pay for the immunization.

15 Section 2. The Department of Health may adopt rules, in accordance with chapter 1-26, to
16 require compliance and documentation of adequate immunization, to define appropriate
17 certification, and to specify standard procedure.

1 Section 3. The effective date of this Act is July 1, 2000.